## Family Fishing Waters – Family Fun Hot Spots

Imagine a handful of choice fishing holes close to home where the family has a great chance to catch fish. That's the idea behind Idaho's *Family Fishing Waters* program. Across the state, select ponds, lakes, reservoirs and rivers with easy access and plenty

of fish have been designated *Family Fishing Waters*. These special waters (identified in the following pages) are managed to offer simple and successful fishing experiences for kids and other novice anglers.

Brochures identifying local *Family Fishing Waters* are available at all Fish and Game regional offices. Driving directions, full-color illustrations and text to help novice anglers identify Idaho's gamefish species are all included. Additionally, the

brochures provide tips on equipment, fishing techniques, care of fish for consumption, and catch and release fishing. Find the entire set of brochures online at <a href="http://fishandgame.idaho.gov">http://fishandgame.idaho.gov</a>.

Family Fishing Waters offer easy access, simple rules and lots of fishing fun for the whole family





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## **Ethical Fishing**

Ethical fishing is as much about common courtesy as it is about following the regulations. These simple rules can improve everyone's fishing experience.

**Please don't litter.** Pick up after yourself and others. Remember that discarded fishing line is litter too. Bury fish entrails and leave your fishing location cleaner than you found it.

**Don't crowd** other anglers. Leave enough room between your fishing spot and theirs to avoid line tangling or other conflicts.

**Ask permission** to fish on private lands and treat the property as if it was your own. Idaho's trespass law is very clear.

No person may enter private land to hunt, fish or trap without permission if the land is either cultivated or posted with legible "no trespassing" signs.

Proper posting includes lettered signs or 100 square inches of fluorescent orange paint or an entire fluorescent orange metal fence post located every 660 feet around the property and at reasonable access points. In Idaho, a trespass conviction includes a mandatory one-year license revocation.

